Please amend Claims 32, 33, 36-38, 41-43, 46, and 47 as indicated below. The following is a complete listing of claims and replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

Claims 1 - 31. (Canceled)

Claim 32. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus connected with an external information processing apparatus and a peripheral apparatus via a network, comprising:

sending means for sending a ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver for scanning service to the external information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

obtaining means for obtaining a print stub driver for printing service that is a writing program delivered from the external information processing apparatus;

executing means for executing a scanning process to obtain data in response to a scan request from the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver in the external information processing apparatus sent by ~~said~~ the sending means to a scan skeleton driver for scanning service in the image processing apparatus; and

transmitting means for transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained print stub driver that is the writing program,

wherein ~~said~~ the transmitting means is controlled by the print stub driver that is the writing program to cause a print service by executing a print skeleton driver for printing service in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

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wherein the print service is <u>performed by the print skeleton driver</u> called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in <u>the print stub driver that is</u> the writing program.

Claim 33. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus according to claim 32, further comprising driving means for, after obtaining the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~, executing the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~ in response to completion of preparation of the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~ to drive the peripheral device.

Claims 34 and 35. (Canceled)

Claim 36. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus according to claim 32, wherein ~~said~~ <u>the</u> obtaining means remotely calls a reception program for receiving the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~ in the external information processing apparatus via a remote procedure call.

Claim 37. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling an image processing apparatus connected with an external information processing apparatus and a peripheral apparatus via a network, comprising:

a sending step of sending a ~~scanner~~ <u>scan stub</u> driver <u>for scanning service</u> to the external information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

an obtaining step of obtaining <u>a print stub driver for printing service that is</u> a writing program delivered from the external information processing apparatus;

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an executing step of executing a scanning process to obtain data in response to a scan request from the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver in the external information processing apparatus sent in ~~said~~ the sending step to a scan skeleton driver for scanning service in the image precessing apparatus; and

a transmitting step of transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained print stub driver that is the writing program,

wherein ~~said~~ the transmitting step is controlled by the print stub driver that is the writing program to cause a print service by executing a print skeleton driver for printing service in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

wherein the print service is performed by the print skeleton driver called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in the print stub driver that is the writing program.

Claim 38. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 37, further comprising a driving step of, after obtaining the print stub driver ~~writing program~~, executing the print stub driver ~~writing program~~ in response to completion of preparation of the print stub driver ~~writing program~~ to drive the peripheral device.

Claims 39 and 40. (Canceled)

Claim 41. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 37, wherein ~~said~~ the obtaining step includes remotely calling a reception program for receiving the print stub

driver ~~writing program~~ in the external information processing apparatus via a remote procedure call.

                Claim 42. (Currently Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer-readable storage medium storing a computer program for implementing a method of controlling an image processing apparatus connected with an external information processing apparatus and a peripheral apparatus via a network, wherein the computer program includes:

                procedure code for a sending step of sending a ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver <u>for scanning service</u> to the external information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

                procedure code for an obtaining step of obtaining <u>a print stub driver for printing service that is</u> a writing program, delivered from the external information processing apparatus;

                procedure code for an executing step of executing a scanning process to obtain data in response to <u>a</u> scan request from the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver in the external information processing apparatus sent in ~~said~~ <u>the</u> sending step <u>to a scan skeleton driver for scanning service in the image processing apparatus</u>; and

                procedure code for a transmitting step of transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained <u>print stub driver that is the</u> writing program,

                wherein ~~said~~ <u>the</u> transmitting step is controlled by the <u>print stub driver that is the</u> writing program to cause a print service <u>by executing a print skeleton driver for printing service</u> in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

wherein the print service is <u>performed by the print skeleton driver</u> called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in <u>the print stub driver that is</u> the writing program.

Claim 43. (Currently Amended) A computer program product according to claim 42, wherein the computer program further includes procedure code for a driving step of, after obtaining the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~, executing the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~ in response to completion of preparation of the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~ to drive the peripheral device.

Claims 44 and 45. (Canceled)

Claim 46. (Currently Amended) A computer program product according to claim 42, wherein the obtaining step includes remotely calling a reception program for receiving the <u>print stub driver</u> ~~writing program~~ in the external information processing apparatus via a remote procedure call.

Claim 47. (Currently Amended) A network system comprising a peripheral device, an image processing apparatus storing a ~~scanner~~ <u>scan stub</u> driver <u>for scanning service</u> , and an information processing apparatus storing <u>a print stub driver for printing service that is</u> a writing program for driving the peripheral device,

wherein ~~said~~ <u>the</u> information processing apparatus includes:

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obtaining means for obtaining the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver from ~~said~~ the image processing apparatus;

transfer means for transferring a scan request to ~~said~~ the image processing apparatus using the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver obtained by ~~said~~ the obtaining means,

wherein ~~said~~ the image processing apparatus includes:

sending means for sending the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver to the information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

obtaining means for obtaining a print stub driver for printing service that is a writing program delivered from ~~said~~ the information processing apparatus;

executing means for executing a scanning process using the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver to obtain data in response to the scan request from the ~~scanner~~ scan stub driver in ~~said~~ the information processing apparatus sent by ~~said~~ the sending means to a scan skeleton driver for scanning service in the image processing apparatus; and

transmitting means for transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained print stub driver that is the writing program,

wherein ~~said~~ the transmitting means is controlled by the print stub driver taht is the writing program to cause a print service by executing a print skeleton driver for printing service in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

wherein the print service is performed by the print skeleton driver called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in the print stub driver that is the writing program.

Claims 48 - 55. (Canceled)